been subject to a tender offer by Tortilla Acquisition Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BHP Limited ("BHP") that resulted in the Securities being held of record by less than one hundred (100) persons resident in the United States. BHP currently holds over 90% of the outstanding Class B Shares, and the Issuer expects that upon completion of a statutory acquisition procedure under Canadian law, BHP will acquire the remaining Class A Shares not tendered in the tender offer. BHP will be the sole holder of the Class A Shares. BHP currently holds nearly 90% of the Class B Shares as a result of the tender offer, so that the public float of the Class B Shares has been significantly reduced. The Issuer also has determined that it presently does not intend to engage in future capital raising activities in the United States.

The Issuer's application relates solely to the Securities' withdrawal from listing and registration on the Amex and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under Section 12(g) the Act.³ The Issuer states that the Issuer's Class B Shares will continue to be listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The Issuer represents that shareholders who are United States residents would still have access to an active trading market and would be able to obtain information about the Issuer though access to filings made under Canadian securities laws.

Any interested person may, on or before August 23, 2001 submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁴

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting: Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the Boston Stock Exchange (Nevada Gold & Casinos, Inc., Common Stock, \$.12 Par Value) File No. 1–5517

August 1, 2001.

Nevada Gold & Casinos, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ¹ ("Act") and Rule 12d2–2(c) thereunder,² to withdraw it from Common Stock, \$.12 par value ("Security") from listing and registration on the Boston Stock Exchange ("BSE").

The Issuer stated in its application that the Security has been quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board since 1994. In making the decision to withdraw the Security from listing and registration on the BSE, the Issuer considered the liquidity provided by the BSE and the cost associated with maintaining such listing. The Issuer believes that market makers will continue to quote the Security on the OTC Bulletin Board so that holders of the Security are provided with accessible and liquid markets. The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing and registration on the BSE and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under Section 12(g) of the Act.3

Any interested person may, on or before August 23, 2001 submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the BSE and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁴

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 Thereto by the American Stock Exchange LLC To Require the Use of Handheld Computers by Floor Brokers and Registered Options Traders and To Update the Exchange's Audit Trail Rules

August 2, 2001.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")1 and Rule 19b-42 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on December 11, 2000, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. On May 15, 2001, Amex submitted No. 1 to the proposal.³ On July 27, 2001, Amex submitted Amendment No. 2.4 The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as amended, from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend Amex Rules 153, 180, and 220: (i) To require the use of handheld computers by floor brokers and Registered Options Traders ("ROTs"); (ii) to require the immediate systemization, upon receipt on the floor, of orders that are eligible for input into Amex's electronic order processing facilities ("CMS-eligible orders") and that are not already systematized; and (iii) to update the Exchange's rules regarding records of orders.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(g).

^{4 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c).

³ 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(g).

^{4 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See letter from William Floyd-Jones, Assistant General Counsel, Legal & Regulatory Policy Division, Amex, to Nancy Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, date May 15, 2001 ("Amendment No. 1"). In Amendment No. 1, Amex revised the proposal to clarify that its new Hand Held Terminal Policy would apply to both wired as well as wireless terminals, and to make technical corrections to the proposed rule text.

⁴ See letter from William Floyd-Jones, Assistant General Counsel, Legal & Regulatory Policy Division, Amex, to Nancy Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, dated July 26, 2001 ("Amendment No. 2"). In Amendment No. 2, Amex resubmitted its statement of the purpose of, and the statutory basis for, the proposed rule change. However, Amex did not make any revisions to the proposed rule text.